(e) the adverse impact of such incident on safety scenario of "Incredible India" ; and

(f) the steps initiated to beef up security cover for tourists?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) India's share in the world's international tourist arrivals and foreign exchange earnings from tourism during 2006 was 0.52% and 1.21% respectively.

(b) The gender-wise break-up of number of foreign tourist arrivals in India during 2004, 2005 and 2006, is given below:—

(In Million)

Year	Gender			Total
	Male	Female	Not Reported	
2004	1.90	1.17	0.39	3.46
2005	2.06	1.30	0.56	3.92
2006	2.54	1.61	0.30	4.45

(c) to (f) "Public order" and "Police" are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India and as such, registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime, including cases relating to criminal incidents against foreign women tourists, is primarily the responsibility of the State/UT Governments. The Government of India has been issuing guidelines from time to time to make concerted efforts to improve the administration of Criminal Justice System and to take effective measures to control crime against vulnerable sections including women and children.

Eco-Tourism in Orissa

607. MS.PRAMILA BOHIDAR: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that Chandaka Dampara Sanctuary in Orisa has potential for eco-tourism;

(b) whether the State Government proposes to exploit this potential with development of nature trails, trekking facilities, watch towers and by revamping of picnic spots etc.;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what is the action plan of the Centre to help the State both physically and financially to execute this project?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The development and promotionof tourism is primarily undertaken by the State Governments/Union Territories themselves. However, the Ministry of Tourism provides funds on the basis of project proposals received from the State Governments/Union Territories for grant of Central financial assistance every year under the following schemes;

(i) Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations and Circuits

(ii) Large Revenue Generating projects

(iii) Fairs and festivals/Events

(iv) Information Technology

Proposals which are complete in all respect as per scheme guidelines are processed on

inter-se priority basis and funds released subject to availability under the respective head. No proposal has been received from the State Government of Orissa for development of Chandaka Dampara Sanctuary in Orissa.

Ministry of Tourism Government of India has sanctioned tourism projects to the tune of Rs.72.35.39 lakh and Rs.2327.05 for the State of Orissa in the Tenth plan and the current financial year respectively. A list of the projects sanctioned is given in the Statement.

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Projects sanctioned to the State of Orissa during the Tenth Plan and the current financial year.

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of Project/Scheme	Amount sanctioned
1	2	3
	2002-03	
1.	Rural Tourism Project at Raghurajpur	50.00
2.	Computerisation of office and its Groups	7.50
	TOTAL:	57.50
	2003-04	
1.	Development of Puri as a Tourist destination	394.55
2.	Konark Festival, 2002	5.00
3.	Folk Dance Festival, 2003-04	5.00
4.	Rajarani Music Festival, 2003-04	5.00
5.	Buddha Mahotsav	10.00
	TOTAL:	419.55
	2004-05	
1.	Development of Peace Park and Amphitheater at Dhauli (Distt. Khurda) under Dest. Development	488.51
2.	Integrated Development of Buddhist Circuit in Orissa—Development of facilities at Lalitgiri, Ratnagiri, Udaigiri and Langudi under tourist circuit	740.67
3.	Shreekshetra Vasant Festival at Puri	15.00
4.	Kharvela Festival, 2004-05	5.00
5.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project in village Pipli in Puri Distt. (Software)	20.00
6.	GOI-UNDP Endogenous Tourism Project at village Raghurajpur in Puri Distt. (Software)	20.00
7.	Development of Village Pipli in Puri Distt. (Hardware)	50.00
	TOTAL:	1339.18
	2005-06	
1.	Development of Gopalpur-on-Sea (Distt. Ganjam)	447.22

1	2	3
2.	Development of Sakhi Gopal (Distt, Puri)	460.96
3.	Development of Taptapani in Distt Ganjam as a Tourist Destination	500.00
4.	Integrated Development of Tourist Circuit Bhubaneswar-Dhauli-Puri-Konark	720.09
5.	Development of Chilka Lake (Distt. Puri and Ganjam) as a Tourist Destination	389.05
6.	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Khiching, Distt. Mayurbhanj	50.00
7.	Shreekshetra Festival at Puri	15.00
8.	Puri Beach Festival, 2005	4.00
9.	Konark Festival, 2005 at Bhubaneswar	3.00
10.	Rajrani Festival, 2005 at Bhubaneswar	3.00
	TOTAL:	2592.32
	2006-07	
1.	Development of Simlipal in Distt. Mayurbhanj as a tourism destination	297.12
2.	Puri Beach Festival, 2006	05.00
3.	Konark Festival, 2006	05.00
4.	Ekamra Utsav, 2007	10.00
5.	Shreekshetra Vasant Utsav, 2006	10.00
6.	Integrated Development of Chandipur—Talsari-Udaypur-Chandaneswar-Remuna-Panchlingeswar-Nilgairi Circuit	800.00
7.	Development of Village Barpali, Distt. Baragarh, Rural Tourism (Hardware)	50.00
8.	Development of Village Hirapur, Distt. Khurda, Rural Tourism (Hardware)	50.00
9.	Development of Village Padma Padmanavpur, Distt. Ganjam, Rural Tourism (Hardware)	50.00
10.	Development of Village Deulajhari Distt. Angul, Rural Tourism (Hardware)	50.00
11.	Integrated Development of Koraput Circuit "Koraput-Deomali-Jeypore-Upper Kolab-Gupteshwar as a tourist circuit in Orissa	692.00
12.	Development of Eco-Tourism at Bhitarkanika	383.22
13.	Development of Satkosia as a Tourist Destination in Orissa	424.50
	TOTAL:	2826.84
	2007-08	
1.	Development of Orissa Tourism information Portal under the scheme of Information Technology	42.50
2.	Development of Mahanadi Central Heritage, Distt. Cuttack under Destination Development Scheme.	393.75
3.	Development of Kapilas-Joranda-Saptasajya as a tourist destination in Orissa.	287.84
4.	Development of Sonapur-Khandapara-Narshinghpur-Cuttack-Paradeep as Tourist Circuit in Orrisa	463.60

1	2	3
5.	Development of Harishankar-Narsinghanath-Ranipurjarilal as Tourist Circuit in Orissa.	650.21
6.	Development of Silk Route Circuit in Ganjam as Tourist destination	431.15
7.	Organizing of All india Paika Akhada Exhibition Utsav-2008	5.00
8.	Golden Beach Festival at Chandipur-on-Sea, 2008	3.00
9.	Gurukul of Konark Natya Manadap, Konark, Distt. Puri	50.00
	TOTAL:	2327.05

Development of Tourism at Narsinghanath and Harishankar in Orissa

608. SHRI B.J. PANDA:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has sanctioned funds for development of picturesque tourist spot at Narsinghanath and Harishankar on either side of Gandhamardan mountains range in Bargarh and Bolangir district of Orissa;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has also sanctioned similar help for development and renovation of other tourist/religioius centre in Orissa; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (b) Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has sanctioned a project for development of Harishankar-Narsinghanath-Ranipurjarial as Tourist Circuit in Orissa for a total amount of Rs. 650.21 lakh in the year 2007-08.

(c) and (d) Ministry of Tourism, Government of India has sanctioned Tourism Projects to the tune of Rs. 7235.39 lakh and 2327.05 lakh for the State of Orissa in the Tenth plan and in the current financial year respectively. A list of projects sanctioned is given in the Statement.

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